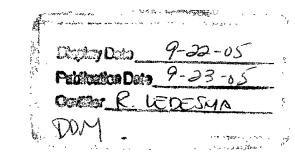
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration [FDA 225–04–8000]



Memorandum of Understanding Between the Food and Drug Administration and the Food and Drug Administration Alumni Association

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is providing notice of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between FDA and the Food and Drug Administration Alumni Association, Inc. The purpose of this MOU is to establish a greater collaboration between FDA and the Food and Drug Administration Alumni Association, Inc., regarding FDAs 2006 Centennial Observance.

DATES: The agreement became effective July 28, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Hitch, Senior Advisor, Office of External Relations (HF-10), 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-4406.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 21 CFR 20.108(c), which states that all written agreements and MOUs between FDA and others shall ora0513

be published in the Federal Register, the agency is publishing notice of this MOU.

Jeffrey Sharen, Assistant/Commissioner for Policy.

[INSERT MOU]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

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FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC. AGREE TO CO-SPONSOR FDA'S 2006 CENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE ACCORDING TO THE TERMS EXPRESSED BELOW:

Background

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This agreement is between the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), FDA, and the FDAAA -- Taxpayer Identification Number 41-2051166. In March 2003, FDA and FDAAA entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to partner on future specific undertakings that are considered beneficial to both organizations, are directly related to the mission of FDA, and are within FDA's statutory authorities. In accordance with the MOU, it is understood that FDA and FDAAA may work together on future efforts and that FDA and FDAAA will formalize such activities in specific agreements, such as this Co-sponsorship agreement that set forth the responsibilities of each party in co-sponsoring FDA's 2006 Centennial Observance.

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The FDAAA is an incorporated 501(c)(3) educational public service organization dedicated to supporting the mission of FDA and to advancing its goals of protecting and promoting the public health.

FDA and the FDAAA have common interests in collaborating on various programs and materials for FDA's 2006 Centennial Observation. Through this collaboration, FDA and FDAAA hope to:

- Broaden public awareness of FDA's services and programs and thereby increase public appreciation of FDA's impact on public health and safety;
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- Recognize contributions of FDA employees, legislators, academicians, industry, advocacy groups, and public health leaders who support FDA's mission.

Responsibilities for Developing the Event

FDA and FDAAA agree to collaborate on developing various events in celebration of FDA's 2006 Centennial Observances related to the mission of FDA. FDA and FDAAA may independently sponsor portions of the Centennial Observance. FDA resources, including staff, shall not be used to develop, promote, or otherwise support any portion of independently supported events. Official announcements and brochures associated with those events may contain factual references to the schedule of the entire event, including portions supported by private donors.

Registration Fees and Other Charges

FDAAA shall not charge fees higher than necessary to recover its share of the costs of the Centennial Observance. FDAAA intends to sell educational materials about the Centennial. All educational materials, transcripts, and recordings of the events shall be sold at cost. As discussed at the June 28, 2004, meeting, FDA employees will be charged a nominal fee for these materials like others to defray costs.

Fundraising

FDAAA shall make clear, in all FDAAA's solicitations of funds from private donors, that it is FDAAA, not FDA, that is asking for any funds to cover its share of the Centennial Observance costs. FDAAA shall not imply that FDA endorses any FDAAA fund-raising for the Centennial Observance. FDAAA will make clear to donors that donations shall be applied exclusively toward defraying the expenses of FDAAA, and not FDA.

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FDAAA shall not use the event mainly as a way to sell or promote products or services. FDAAA shall ensure that any incidental promotions do not imply that FDA endorses FDAAA's actions or messages. FDAAA shall make reasonable efforts, subject to FDA review, to separate any incidental promotions from the approved Centennial programs, events, and materials. Donors who are public officials or candidates for public office will not include political comment as part of their participation. Donors who have a preexisting business relation with FDA shall be informed that their donations will not result in special consideration by FDA on any other matter.

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Public Availability

This co-sponsorship agreement, as well as the financial records maintained by the parties, shall be publicly available.

<u>Amendments</u>

This agreement can only be amended in writing, and all parties to this agreement who are affected by it must agree to any amendment.

Effect and Termination

This agreement is effective on the date of approval and will continue until close of business on February 28, 2007. Any party may terminate its participation in the co-sponsorship by providing written notice to the other party. Such termination will not require changes to materials already produced, and will not entitle the terminating party to a return of funds or property contributed.

Contacts

Lawrence L. Bachorik, Ph.D. Acting Associate Commissioner for External Relations Food and Drug Administration

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Co-Sponsorship Guidance

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Each person approving this agreement is sanctioned to enter this agreement on behalf of their respective organization. Except as properly amended, this agreement is the final and complete agreement of FDA and FDAAA.

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Lester M. Crawford, D.V.M., Ph.D.,
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